

COMPOUNDS AND METHODS FOR IMMUNOTHERAPY
AND DIAGNOSIS OF TUBERCULOSIS

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Compounds and methods for inducing protective immunity against tuberculosis are disclosed. The compounds provided include polypeptides that contain at least one immunogenic portion of one or more *M. tuberculosis* proteins and DNA molecules encoding such polypeptides. Such compounds may be formulated into vaccines and/or pharmaceutical compositions for immunization against *M. tuberculosis* infection, or may be used for the diagnosis of tuberculosis.